GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Registration and Stamps – Surprise check conducted on the Office of District Registrar (Original Branch), Registration & Stamps, Nellore on 20/21.04.2005 - Departmental action initiated against Sri O. Venkata Rayulu, Attender and others, Office of District Registrar (Original Branch), Registration & Stamps, Nellore for certain irregularites – Disciplinary proceedings finalized – Imposed a punishment of withholding of one annual grade increment with cumulative effect – Revision petition filed – Revision petition allowed – Further action dropped - Orders – issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.586. **Dated:28-05-2016**
Read the following:

1. From the DG, ACB, AP, Hyderabad, Lr.No.8/DES-NNL/2005, dt:21.07.2005.
2. Memo No.17783/Vig.VI (1)/2005-4, dated: 02.06.2007.
3. G.O.Ms.No.741, Rev (Vig.VI) Department, dated:02.06.2007.
4. WSD of Sri O. Venkata Rayulu, Attender, dt.6.7.2007.
5. G.O.Rt.No.1936, Revenue (Vig.VI) Department, dt.15.10.2008.
6. From the COI, D.O.Lr.No.1962/COI-CK/A1/2009, dt:12.01.2011.
7. Govt. Memo No. 17783/Vig.VI (1)/2005-20, dated:27.03.2014.
8. Representation of Sri O. Venkata Rayulu, Attender, dt.17.4.2014.
9. Govt. Letter No.17783/Vig.II(2)/2005-23, dated:17.10.2014.
10. From the APPSC, Lr.No.1351/RT/2/2015, dt.2.7.2015.
11. G.O.Rt.No.671, Revenue (Vig.II) Department, dt.16.7.2015.
12. Revision petition of Sri O. Venkata Rayulu, Attender, dt.nil.
13. From the APPSC Lr.No.1351/RT/2/2014, dt.17.5.2016.

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ORDER:

It was brought to the notice of the Government that a surprise check was conducted by the Anti Corruption Bureau officials on the Office of District Registrar (Original Branch), Nellore on 20/21.04.2005 on certain allegations of corruption and found some irregularities. The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad had sent final report in the reference 1st read above and recommended the Government to initiate disciplinary action against Sri O. Venkata Rayulu, Attender & others, Office of District Registrar (Original Branch), Nellore. Accordingly, Government initiated common disciplinary proceedings against the staff & officers of the said office vide reference 2nd read above and framed the following article of charges against Sri O. Venkata Rayulu, former Attender, Office of District Registrar (Original Branch), Registration & Stamps, Nellore vide reference 3rd read above.

Charge:
"…..during the period between 01.10.2003 to 21.4.2005 has committed grave misconduct in as much as he failed to declare his personal cash in personal cash declaration register."

2. Government after following due procedure entrusted the case to Commissioner of Inquiries to inquire in to the charges vide reference 5th read above. The Commissioner of Inquiries submitted report to Government vide reference 6th read above. Government after careful examination of the matter and following due procedure, imposed a punishment of withholding of one annual grade increment with cumulative effect against Sri O. Venkata Rayulu, former Attender, Office of District Registrar (Original Branch), Registration & Stamps, Nellore vide reference 11th read above.

3. Whereas in the reference 12th read above, Sri O. Venkata Rayulu, former Attender has submitted revision petition stating that as per Circular Memo No.X2/33624/95, dated: 08.01.1999, issued by the Commissioner & Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, the Staff members

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dealing with the cash transactions with the parties were directed to declare the amounts on their person at the time of reporting for duty in the office. He has further stated that he was free from the cash transactions with the Registering Public, by working in the Administrative Branch, there was absolutely no need for him to declare personal cash in the personal cash declaration register. He has further stated that Smt R. Rohini, Senior Assistant, (Charged Officer-9 in the same case) Office of the District Registrar, Nellore was served with similar article of charge of non – declaration of personal cash in the personal cash declaration register. The Commissioner of Inquiries gave findings exactly similar to that of their case and recommended to drop further action. Accordingly, Government dropped further action against Smt. R. Rohini (Charged Officer-9). But Government imposed punishment of withholding of one annual grade increment with cumulative effect against him even though his case is exactly similar to the case of Smt. R. Rohini (Charged Officer-9). Finally, Sri O. Venkata Rayulu, former Attender has requested the Government to review the punishment of withholding of one annual grade increment with cumulative effect imposed against him, keeping in view of the decision of the Government in respect of Smt. R. Rohini, Senior Assistant (Charged Officer-9) i.e to drop further action, as the articles of charges framed against him and findings of the Commissioner of Inquiries were in similar.

4. Government after careful examination of the matter have observed that the Commissioner of Inquiries submitted his report stating that so far as the Charged Officer concerned, there was no other charge against him like accepting illegal gratification nor any unaccounted cash was found with him. The charge can be dropped, after a warning as the same are found to be merely technical in nature. The similar charge framed against Smt. R. Rohini, former Senior Assisstant (Charged Officer-9) was also dropped, therefore Government decided to allow the revision petition filed by Sri O. Venkata Rayulu, former Attender and decided to drop further action against him, as the articles of charges framed against Smt. R. Rohini, former Senior Assistant (Charged Officer-9) and Sri O. Venkata Rayulu, former Attender (Charged Officer -18) are similar and Commissioner of Inquiries also gave similar findings in respect of these Charged Officers. The Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission has also agreed with the proposal of the Government vide reference 13th read above.

5. Accordingly, Government hereby order to drop further action against Sri O. Venkata Rayulu, former Attender, Office of District Registrar (Original Branch), Registration & Stamps, Nellore from the charges framed against him.

6. The Director and Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad / Deputy Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, Nellore, shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly under intimation to the Government.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

AJEYA KALLAM
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director and Inspector General,
Registration and Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
The Deputy Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, Nellore.
The Individual.
(*through: the Deputy Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, Nellore*)
Copy to:
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner,
Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, A.P., Hyderabad.
The Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau,
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER